

Reconsideration of the rejections of claims 18-20 under 35 U.S.C. 112 second paragraph as being indefinite is requested. The claims have been amended to provide proper antecedent basis for the limitations pointed out by the Examiner and hence reconsideration of that rejection is requested.

Reconsideration of the rejections of claims 1-3, 10-12 and 27-29 as being anticipated by Coutts et al. ('358) under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) is requested. It is not believed that Coutts et al. has its first fastener arranged to lie above the arm. The Examiner's reference to Fig. 15 which shows the arm to be pivoted above the seat by virtue of the back of the seat being tiltable with respect to the seat does not provide that the fastener 26 is above the arm 25. However, to further clearly distinguish this structure independent claims 1 and 27 have been amended to clarify that the pivot (fastener, claim 1 support claim 27) is above the top surface of the arm. In Coutts et al. the pivot 26 is below the top surface of the arm. As concerns claim 27, Coutts et al. does not have both a support mount with an upper wing raising above the top surface of the arm and a lower wing extending below the top surface of the arm. Accordingly, reconsideration of this rejection is requested.

Reconsideration of the rejections of claims 1-3, 6 and 25 as being anticipated by Lemmeyer et al. ('292) under 35 U.S.C. 2(a) is requested. Lemmeyer et al.'s fasteners are located below the top surface of the arm and hence reconsideration of this rejection is requested.

Reconsideration of the rejections of claims 4, 5, 30 and 31 as being unpatentable over Coutts et al. under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) is requested. As indicated supra, Coutts et al. does not provide for the location of the fastener (claim 1) or support (claim 27) as referenced in the parent claims and hence reconsideration of this rejection is requested.

Reconsideration of the rejections of claims 13-17 and 21-24 as being unpatentable over Lemmeyer et al. in view of Walker ('848) under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) is requested. As indicated previously, Lemmeyer et al. does not provide for the location of the fastener (claim 1) or support (claim 15). Claim 15 has been amended in a similar fashion, even though it was not deemed to be necessary to recite that the support mount extends above the top surface of the arm. Walker was not proffered for, nor does it cure the inadequacies of Lemmeyer et al. and hence reconsideration of this rejection is requested.

Reconsideration of the rejections of claims 18-22 as being unpatentable over Lemmeyer et al. in view of Walker as applied to claims 13-17 and 21-24 above and in further view of Coutts et al. under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) is requested. As indicated, the combination of Coutts, Walker and Lemmeyer et al. do not teach the location of the fastener (claim 1) or support means (claim 15) extending above the top surface of the arm and hence reconsideration of this rejection is requested.

It is noted that claims 7-9 were not rejected and hence claim 7 has been rewritten in independent form and thus claims 7-9 are deemed allowable. Claim 6 was not rejected on prior art and has been rewritten in independent form and hence with the curing of the improper adjective is believed to be allowable.

Examiner Edell is thanked for the courtesies extended during the recent interview were the above amendments and remarks were discussed.

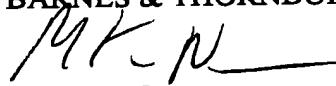
In view of the above, the application is now deemed to be in condition for allowance and such is respectfully requested.

It is respectfully requested that, if necessary to effect a timely response, this paper be considered as a Petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response and

shortages in other fees, be charged, or any overpayment in fees be credited, to the Account of Barnes & Thornburg, Deposit Account No. 02-1010 (20341/67618).

Respectfully submitted,

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## ATTACHMENT A

a1 Sub B1  
1. (Amended) A juvenile vehicle seat assembly comprising  
a seat including a seat bottom and a seat back,  
a cantilevered armrest projecting from the seat back, the cantilevered armrest  
including an arm having a top surface and a support mount appended to the arm and coupled  
to the seat back to support the arm in a cantilevered position, and  
a first fastener coupled to the support mount and seat back to maintain the arm in the  
cantilevered position, the first fastener being arranged to lie above the top surface of arm to  
cause the arm to lie between the first fastener and the seat bottom when the arm is in its  
cantilevered position.

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6. (Amended) A juvenile vehicle seat assembly comprising  
a seat including a seat bottom and a seat back,  
a cantilevered armrest projecting from the seat back, the cantilevered armrest  
including an arm and a support mount appended to the arm and coupled to the seat back to  
support the arm in a cantilevered position,

a first fastener coupled to the support mount and seat back to maintain the arm in the  
cantilevered position, the first fastener being arranged to lie above the arm to cause the arm to  
lie between the first fastener and the seat bottom, and

wherein the support mount includes an inner flange coupled to the arm and an outer  
flange coupled to the arm and positioned to lie in spaced-apart relation to the inner flange to  
receive a ridge of the seat back in a U-shaped channel formed in the support mount between  
the inner and outer flanges.

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15. (Amended) A juvenile vehicle seat assembly comprising  
a seat including a seat bottom and a seat back having a side ridge facing forwardly  
toward the seat bottom,  
a cantilevered armrest including a rearwardly facing support mount, an arm having a  
top surface, the support mount being appended to the arm and extending above the top  
surface of the arm for receiving the forwardly facing side ridge of the seat back therein, and a  
load support panel arranged to abut the seat back to block pivotable movement of the  
cantilevered arm relative to the seat back, and

a retainer coupled to a portion of the support mount and the seat back to maintain the arm in a cantilevered position.

16. (Amended) The assembly of claim 15, wherein the support mount includes an inner flange and an outer flange positioned to lie in a spaced-apart relation to the inner flange and both inner and outer flanges are positioned to lie against the side ridge.

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cont. 17. (Amended) The assembly of claim 15, wherein the load support panel is arranged to lie in a fixed position relative to the arm and the support mount and to abut the forwardly facing side ridge of the seat back to block pivotable movement of the cantilevered armrest toward the seat bottom about a pivot axis established by a first fastener of the retainer.

18. (Amended) The assembly of claim 16, wherein the side ridge of the seat back further includes inner and outer panels and the inner and outer flanges have upper wings, one upper wing is positioned to lie against a portion of the inner panel above the arm, and another upper wing is positioned to lie against a portion of the outer panel above the arm.

19. (Amended) The assembly of claim 18, wherein the retainer includes a first fastener and a second fastener, and the first fastener couples the upper wings to the inner panel and the outer panel of the side ridge at the position above the arm.

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B3 25. (Amended) A juvenile vehicle seat assembly comprising  
a seat including a seat bottom and a seat back having a side edge facing forwardly toward the seat bottom,

a cantilevered armrest including a top surface and support mount formed to include a rearwardly facing U-shaped channel receiving the forwardly facing side edge of the seat back therein and an arm appended to the support mount, and

means for fastening the support mount to the seat back to support the arm in a cantilevered position, the fastening means including a first fastener positioned to lie above the top surface of the arm and a second fastener positioned to lie below the arm.

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B4 27. (Amended) A juvenile vehicle seat assembly comprising  
a seat including a seat bottom and a seat back,

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a cantilevered armrest including an arm having a top surface and a support mount appended to the arm, the support mount including an upper wing rising above the top surface arm and away from the seat bottom and a lower wing extending below the top surface of arm and toward the seat bottom, and

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means for fastening the support mount to the seat back to support the arm in a cantilevered position, the fastening means including a first fastener coupled to the upper wing and the seat back and a second fastener coupled to the lower wing and the seat back.

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